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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM INR

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INTELLIGENCE ANALYSIS

REF: STATE 134144

1. THIS IS AN INTERIM RESPONSE TO YOUR DECEMBER 11 REQUEST FOR AN UPDATE OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED REFTEL.
2. THERE HAVE BEEN THREE DEPLOYMENTS OF TU 95S TO CONAKRY SINCE JUNE 1, 1976. THE PATTERN AND PURPOSE OF THESE OPERATIONS APPEAR UNCHANGED. HOWEVER, A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS SUGGESTS THAT THE FLIGHTS CONDUCTED FROM CONAKRY DURING THE DEPLOYMENTS MAY NOT HAVE BEEN TARGETED AGAINST US OR NATO NAVAL FORCES. (WHILE TU 95S ENROUTE TO CONAKRY IN SEPTEMBER CONDUCTED RECONNAISSANCE OF THE USS KENNEDY THIS ACTION COULD HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED BY AIRCRAFT OPERATING LOCALLY FROM SOVIET AIRFIELDS AND

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- THUS WAS NOT DEPENDENT ON OVERSEAS BASING.) - -
3. INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY ANALYSTS ARE PREPARING A MORE

DEFINITIVE AND DETAILED STUDY WHICH WILL BE COMMUNICATED
TO THE EMBASSY ABOUT DECEMBER 17. ADVICE WILL BE
GIVEN AT THAT TIME AS TO WHAT INFORMATION FROM THE STUDY
MAY BE GIVEN TO TOURE. KISSINGER

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